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The documents listed on Form PTO-1449 are documents which were first cited in a search report issued by the German Patent and Trademark Office dated January 31, 2006 in the corresponding German priority document DE 101 54 342.5. WO 00/69183 A1, while listed on the search report, was previously cited to the U.S. PTO in the information disclosure statement dated January 6, 2006.

Concise Statement of Relevancy  
(Non-English Language Documents Only)

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"X" (novelty).

The relevancy of each of the German language documents (DE 199 37 529 A1, DE 197 18 115 A1 and DE 195 22 527 A1) falls under the "A" category.

Statement Regarding Translations

DE 195 22 527 A1 is equivalent to U.S. 6,279,047.3

DE 199 37 529 A1 is equivalent to U.S. 6,848,038 B1.

DE 197 18 115 A1 is equivalent to CA 2 275 931 A1.

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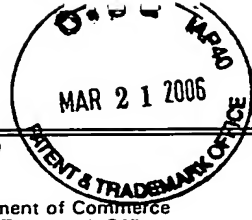
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## U.S. Patent Documents

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## Foreign Patent Documents

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